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ALEXANDRIA FOR SECRETARY'S PARTY

FOR S/S - EX

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (VANCE, CYRUS R.), IS, US
SUBJECT: SECVISIT: VISIT TO ISRAEL

REF: STATE 179468

1. WE HAVE INFORMED MFA THAT SECRETARY APPROVES DINNER FOR HIMSELF AND MRS. VANCE WITH MINISTER AND MRS. DAYAN FOR EVENING OF AUGUST 10.
2. THE QUESTION THEN ARISES REGARDING DINNER ARRANGEMENTS AUGUST 10 FOR THE REST OF THE PARTY; SEVERAL ALTERNATIVES OCCUR TO US. AS THE FIRST POSSIBILITY, I WOULD BE DELIGHTED TO HOST A VERY INFORMAL BUFFET AT THE RESIDENCE (15 MINUTES FROM DAYAN'S HOME) FOR THE REST OF THE SECRETARY'S PARTY AND FOR THE ISRAELI PARTICIPANTS IN THAT DAY'S MEETINGS. (ANYONE WHO WANTED TO HAVE A LATE EVENING SWIM COULD BRING ALONGV HIS
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BATHING SUIT; THE NIGHT WILL UNDOUBTEDLY BE
PLENTY WARM).

3. A SECOND ALTERNATIVE WOULD ALSO BE AN INFORMAL BUFFET AT THE RESIDENCE, BUT WITH AN EXPANDED GUEST LIST TO INCLUDE NOT ONLY THE MEMBERS OF THE SECRETARYS PWRTY AND THE ISRAELI PARTICIPANTS

BUT OTHER LOCAL POLITICAL FIGURES AND MKS
AND SOME JOURNALISTS, BOTH AMERICAN AND ISRAELI.
(I WOULD, OF COURSE, INVITE ALL THE U.S.
JOURNALISTS TRAVELING WITH THE SECRETARY.)

4. A THIRD ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE SIMPLY TO RETURN
TO JERUSALEM AFTER DAYAN'S RECEPTION, GIVEN THE
FACT THAT THIS IS THE FINAL STOP IN A STRENUOUS
SCHEDULE, THE PARTY MIGHT WELL PREFER TO HAVE A
RELATIVELY FREE EVENING.

5. PLEASE ADVISE PREFERENCE.

6. WE WILL SUBMIT A PROPOSED SCHEDULE FOR MRS.
VANCE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, DRAWING ON THE POINTS
CONTAINED IN PARA 5, REFTEL. WE HAVE DISCUSSED
HER INTERESTS WITH THE MFA AND ARE TENTATIVELY
PLANNING A VISIT TO THE ISRAEL MUSEUM AND THE
KNESSET THE AFTERNOON OF THE 9TH AND AN EARLY
MORNING DEPARTURE FOR MASADA ON THE 10TH. MASADA
IN AUGUST IS EXTREMELY HOT AND WE WILL PLAN A
REST PERIOD AFTER HER RETURN. WE WOULD THEN
HOPE THE SECRETARY COULD JOIN HER FOR A SHORT
VISIT TO THE OLD CITY AND BETHLEHEM.
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